

The State of Washington



Proclamation

WHEREAS, Washington Golf (WA Golf) and the Pacific Northwest Section, PGA are celebrating their centennials and 100 years of growing the game of golf; and

WHEREAS, Washington's 246 golf facilities generate revenue comparable to all spectator sports in the state combined, contributing more than \$1 billion annually to our economy, supporting over 22,000 jobs and 500 million of wage income; and

WHEREAS, Washington's many youth golf programs like First Tee, WA Golf Youth on Course, Washington Junior Golf Association, and PGA Junior Golf League are recognized for promoting and providing many youth development programs across our state that reinforces integrity, respect and perseverance through the game of golf; and

WHEREAS, Washington has hosted several international golf events, including the U.S. Open, USGA championships, PGA championships, Men's and Women's Amateur championships, Senior, and celebrity golf events that bring people from all over the world to courses across our state; and

WHEREAS, golf course facilities are industry leaders in ecotourism, environmental education and sustainability, showcasing the game's responsible leadership in water use, natural resource management and are taking an active role in helping municipalities and private industry recycle both treated water and compost;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jay Inslee, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim September 2022 as

Washington Golf Month

and urge all residents join me in acknowledging the 100 years of substantial contributions the golf industry makes to the state of Washington and enjoy the many community benefits the game provides.

Signed this 8th day of August, 2022

Governor Jay Inslee

